

## Bleasdale School Spring Newsletter 2018



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We have celebrated two big birthdays this term as Jessica and Elliot both turned 18. Jessica celebrated with her friends with an Italian meal at Paulo Giannis in Lancaster and Elliot enjoyed a fun pool party with his friends followed by an Indian takeaway.

School re-opens for pupils on Monday 9 April 2018

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 7 May 2018

Half Term Monday 28 May—Friday 1 June 2018 School Inset Day Monday 4 June 2018

> School re-opens for pupils on Tuesday 5 June 2018

School closes for Pupils on Friday 20 July 2018 at 3.30 pm

As part of Class 1's animal topic they have been exploring different animals. Jasper the dog came for the morning and we stroked the animals at Pets at Home. We have been very responsive to the different animals. We are also visiting Wildlife Oasis and baby lambs are coming to visit us.



Class 5 have enjoyed a wide range of activities and experience during the Spring term.

Time spent outside in the garden searching for 'treasure' has been enjoyed by both Joe and Rebekah. They have also taken part in a number of cookery session based around the theme of healthy snacks. Rebekah and Joe have made lettuce wraps, stuffed celery sticks, fruit kebabs as well as banana and carrot muffins.

In creativity the topic work has been based around spring time and both young people have made some lovely pictures using both paint and tissue paper.







As part of World Cultures residential pupils have enjoyed taking part in Scottish and Welsh dance. On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January it was 'Burns Night'. Paul our chef made Haggis, Neaps and Tatties for tea and he wore his kilt. We entered the dining room to bagpipe music and Paul recited the traditional Burns Night poem before stabbing the Haggis. After tea everyone had great fun taking part in a Scottish jig. We have made a dragon's head for our Welsh dance. All the pupils have taken it in turns to wear this and be the leader of our first dance. Our favourite part has been listening to the chant "Oggy Oggy Ogg" joining in by pressing switches for "Oi Oi Oi"!, Elliot shouts "Oi Oi Oi". We have listened to Meg speaking Welsh and she made us some traditional Welsh bread and Welsh cakes to taste, smell and feel.



Our weekend trips have included Wildlife Oasis, Williamson's Park & Butterfly House and Holgate's play area and café. Each week pupils take turns to go to Aura in Kendal to experience a sensory environment and meet new friends.





## Staff Changes

This term we have said goodbye to Christina Perfetto (Team Leader on the Residential Side) and Natasha Carlton (TA in Class 5) who have moved onto a new role. We have welcomed a number of new TAs—Amy Ollerton, Jo Robinson, Zoe Cass and Vicky Cape. Suzanne Campbell has also joined us as a CCA in the House.



Inclusion with Silverdale pupils Monday 1pm -2pm - Class Two have had lots of fun getting creative with Silverdale pupils. Our focus this term has been printmaking. We have printed with our hands and feet, created mono prints and experimented with block printing.



Class 3 Skills for Learning: This term we have made instruction books so we could follow the steps to make a fruit salad.



This term the residential pupils have been involved in a variety of activities including Team games which has involved Curling. This has been linked to the Winter Olympics. We made tactile Olympic rings to hang and everyone had to choose which team they were in 'Bleasdale Reds' or 'Bleasdale Blues'. We felt ice to set the scene and VOCA's for the crowd. At the end of each session we have celebrated the winning team by playing "We are the Champions" by Queen.





Stay and Play with Class 1 on Tuesdays 1.30pm – 2.30pm - we have lots of fun taking part in sensory play activities. Preschool children with their parents are welcome, free of charge. Sessions re-start on Tuesday 10th April, 2018

Within Skills for Learning in Class 4 we have worked with maps, timetables and travel. We have created our own scratch maps of the village and then visited the places on our maps. When visiting the shops Lenore used the self serve checkout to buy a milkshake she had chosen, Hope smiled throughout our trips around the village and Rohan used the PODD book to ask for a snack.







Science week.

Everyone took part in exploring experiments to celebrate Science week. The outdoor experiments proved to be favourite activities, as we explored what to use to make the best nest, and how to make poo from the past! The plastic milk took lots of stirring and was very smelly!



As the newsletter was being compiled pupils, parents and staff were walking a mile around Silverdale to raise funds for Sport Relief





This term Class 3 celebrated St Patrick's Day. We looked at potato famine and explored good and bad potatoes. We did potato printing to create the Irish flag and we also made and tasted some Irish Soda bread. We enjoyed doing some Irish dancing too.



As part of their work on independence Rebekah and Joe have enjoyed doing some cooking.



R.E. Class 2 have been finding out about Hinduism this term and how Hindus pray, we created our own prayer table and enjoyed exploring the items from the Puja tray (prayer tray).



This term as part of Daily Living Skills Class 4 have been developing our cleaning skills. We have used a range of cleaning equipment and materials. Rohan and Lenore enjoyed organising the cutlery in to the tray and worked together as a team.



Skills for Learning
Class two have had lots of fun
creating pizzas and pancakes and
counting on toppings. We have also
had fun with our sensory story ' Mr
Wolf's pancakes' . The children
particularly enjoyed it when the Wolf
ate everyone at the end!



Class 1 have been taking part in lots of celebrations, Chinese New Year, Burns night, Winnie the day but our favourite this term has been Holi; the festival of colour. We spent the day exploring bright colours and threw paint around templates of ourselves.



This term we are sad to say goodbye to Elliot. We would like to wish him lots of luck at his new school and hope he will be very happy in his new house. Rebekah is also moving to a new school and we wish her all the best in her new adventure.

The pupils, staff and governors wish you a very Happy Easter



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## F.E Newsletter

## Editor-Ellis Horner

This term FE have had fun cycling at Salt Ayre. Here is Tom he really enjoys going fast. It

makes him last.





We have learnt about the tools a baker uses and what a baker would make. I used a knife to put the butter icing on my cake. I was great at using 2 hands.



On World Book Day we all dressed up. We had a whole school parade.

Here is Elliot dressed as a soldier from Toy Story.





Every Tuesday a group of F.E students go shopping to Morrison's Supermarket in Morecambe to shop for food to make our own lunches. When we have finished our shopping we go across the road to KFC for our lunch. We are learning to handle money, talk clearly to order food and work on our self feeding skills. We have a great time.